Davis Projects for Peace is a global program hosted by Middlebury College that partners with educational institutions and partner organizations, including International Houses Worldwide. The goal is for applicants to design their own grassroots projects - anywhere in the world - which promote peace and address the root causes of conflict among parties. Applicants are encouraged to use their creativity to design projects and employ innovative techniques for engaging project participants in ways that focus on conflict resolution, reconciliation, building understanding, breaking down barriers which cause conflict, and finding solutions for resolving conflict and maintaining peace. Through a competition on over 100 campuses and 12 International Houses around the world, projects will be selected for funding at $10,000 each. Up to 20 of these projects will be selected among applicants from International Houses Worldwide.

Who is funding this and why?
Davis Projects for Peace was established by Kathryn Wasserman Davis, a lifelong internationalist and philanthropist, who lived at International House while attending Columbia University in the 1930s. She created Projects for Peace in 2007, for her 100th birthday, to increase global understanding and peace. The Davis Family has been committed to this legacy ever since. She believed that today’s youth – tomorrow’s leaders – ought to be challenged to formulate and test their own ideas.

What do you mean by “projects for peace”?
Intentionally, no clear definition is offered so as not to limit the imagination. We leave it up to the applicants to define what a “project for peace” might be. We encourage applicants to use creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship to design projects that will engage project participants in ways that focus on conflict resolution, reconciliation, building understanding and breaking down barriers which cause conflict. The overall program is to be worldwide in scope and impact, but specific projects may be undertaken anywhere and as grassroots as desired, including in the U.S.

Who is eligible to design a “project for peace”?
Resident Members of International Houses Worldwide including International House of Chicago Graduate Fellows in good standing for the 2022-23 academic year are eligible to apply. Project proposals will be accepted from individual students or groups of students. Past winners are not eligible. Individual International Houses may impose further eligibility requirements.

How does the funding for these projects work?
For International Houses Worldwide, twenty projects will be awarded funding. While Davis funding per project is limited to $10,000, projects with larger budgets are welcome, as is co-
funding from other sources (such as other philanthropists, a college or university, foundation, NGO/PVO or students’ own fundraising).

**How does a student make a proposal?**
You can find the Davis Projects for Peace submission instructions [here](#). Please note some deadlines are different from the IHWW. Make sure you follow IHWW timeline.

Applicants must prepare a written statement which describes the project (who, what, where, how) including expected outcomes and prospects for future impact (not to exceed three pages, two pages are ideal), as well as a budget (one separate page). Proposals must also include verification of pre-approval of all parties and organizations involved in the project. In addition, a one-page International House application form and resume must accompany your proposal. Each International House may also create their own internal requirements so long as they do not negate or contradiction the Davis Project for Peace requirements.

Each proposal should also address the following questions:

- **Project summary**: What issue(s) will be addressed? What approach(es) will be used? With whom will the grantee(s) work? What is the rationale for these choices?
- **Background**: What preceded this proposal in terms of personal experience, forming relationships, developing knowledge, and other preparation?
- **Implementation**: What plans have been made for use of funds, use of time, and contingencies?
- **Anticipated Results**: What are the potential short and long-term outcomes for participants, community collaborators, and grantee(s)? How will progress be monitored?

Please adhere to the following formatting guidelines for the two-page proposal and do not exceed the two-page limit:

- **Font**: Arial 10 pt.
- **Margins**: 1” for top, bottom, left and right
- **Header**: Title of Project (Final Report title must match project proposal title)  
  Country/ies and/or tribal or ethnic lands where project will take place  
  Sponsoring Institution (which International House you are residing at)  
  Designated Project Leader name and all student team member names
  - For each student named, please list:
    - home country
    - College/university/institution
  - If selected, all students listed must provide a signed Participating Student Funding Agreement.
- **No** personal contact information (email addresses, phone numbers) should appear on the proposal.
How are these proposals reviewed and judged by International Houses Worldwide?
Proposals will be reviewed initially by a committee composed of International House Worldwide staff. This committee will then recommend successful proposals plus alternates for funding to the Davis for Projects for Peace team at Middlebury. Final review and approval of all recommended proposals rests solely with the Projects for Peace at Middlebury committee, which will then forward the appropriate grant funds to each institution with winning project(s).

What is the timetable for proposals and decisions?

• **During the Autumn Quarter of 2022:** Student applicants should begin to work on developing their proposals paying particular attention to securing the approval of those parties and organizations whose permission or support will be required to complete the project. Documentation verifying the involvement of those parties and organizations should be included in your proposal. **A letter of interest and initial project review must be completed by December 1, 2022.** Please send letter of interest and request to schedule a meeting to Michael Kulma at mkulma@uchicago.edu. You are also invited to attend an information session on **Monday, November 14 at Noon** to learn more about successful past projects. Lunch will be served.
• All proposals and supporting documents must be submitted electronically to mkulma@uchicago.edu by **Tuesday, January 3, 2023.**
• Students will be interviewed regarding their proposals during the week of **January 3, 2023.**
• Nominated proposals from International Houses Worldwide will be submitted to the Davis UWC Scholars Program by **Sunday, January 8, 2023.**
• Final decisions on all winning proposals rendered by Davis UWC Scholars office to I-House Chicago by **mid-March 2023.**
• All project funding agreements signed by recipient institutions AND student proposers are due by **Friday, March 21, 2023.**
• Any alternates will be selected and notified in **April 2023.**
• Projects must be completed during **summer of 2023.** Weekly project updates are required.
• Final reports are due to International House of Chicago by **Friday, September 1, 2023.**

What is required for each project’s final report?

The final project report, due **Friday, September 1, 2023** is limited to two pages of narrative using the final report form for 2023 posted on the Davis Projects for Peace website. It also includes a separate one-page accounting of the funds expended. Grantees have the option of including up to 3 digital photos, attaching them to the end of their two-page final report. Final reports are submitted to the Davis UWC office by the designated I-House Chicago staff member. Reports will be posted on the program’s website for all to see and learn from.
For more information

A web site for Davis Projects for Peace can be found at http://www.davisprojectsforpeace.org.

Read more about the Davis Projects for peace grant program at International House of Chicago at http://ihouse.uchicago.edu/fellowships/davis_projects_for_peace_grants_2/. Questions on matters of clarification for applicants of International House of Chicago may be sent to Michael Kulma at mkulma@uchicago.edu.